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New Jersey September Crop Forecast

TRENTON, NJ --- The *September* Crop Production report provides updated crop forecasts as of September 1, according to Bruce Eklund, state statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New Jersey Field Office.

The New Jersey soybean harvested acreage is forecast 78 thousand acres, down 15% from the previous year. The New Jersey soybean average yield is forecast at 41 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from last year. The soybean production is forecast at 3.20 million bushels, down 6% from the previous year.

Nationally, soybean production forecast is 4.31 billion bushels, down 3% from the previous forecast but up 21% from last year. If realized, this will be the third highest production on record for the United States. The corn production forecast is 14.9 billion bushels, down 2% from the previous forecast but up 9% from 2019. If realized, this will be the second highest production on record for the United States.

In response to the derecho experienced on August 10, NASS collected harvested acreage information for corn and soybeans in Iowa. Based on this additional data, NASS lowered corn harvested for grain area by 550,000 acres. Soybean acres were unchanged. Since many producers indicated that they were still finalizing decisions regarding some of the impacted acres, NASS will collect harvested acreage for corn and soybeans in Iowa for the October Crop Production report.

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For the complete "Crop Production" report, go to: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/tm70mv177

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